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TO: Chancellors and Presidents

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FROM: Emily House

DATE: February 23, 2022

SUBJECT: Veterans Reconnect Conference: Transition from Military Service to Higher

Education and the Civilian Workforce; Request for Proposals

The Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC) is pleased to announce a grant to establish a Veteran Reconnect Conference. The conference will focus on methods to support military-affiliated students prior to, during, and after their enrollment in institutions of higher education. The primary host for this conference will be a <u>VETS designated campus</u>; however other public and private, not-for-profit higher education institutions in Tennessee may join with these institutions to provide additional support. THEC will provide grant funds of up to \$100,000 to implement a 2-day conference providing information and professional development to school leadership, faculty, and staff from public and private, not-for-profit higher education institutions in Tennessee.

Important Dates:

Veteran Reconnect Conference RFP Webinar: *March 1, 2022, at 10 AM (CDT)* https://stateoftennessee.formstack.com/forms/vrg22 conf webinar rsvp

Notice of Intent: March 8, 2022, before 3:00 PM (CDT)

https://stateoftennessee.formstack.com/forms/vrg_conference22_loi

Proposal Submission: April 15, 2022, before 3:00 PM (CDT)

https://stateoftennessee.formstack.com/forms/vrg22 conference proposal submission

Attached is the Request for Proposal. Please contact Gregg Crawford at Gregg.Crawford@tn.gov with any questions.

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